BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

| Meeting Date: October 18, 2006 | Division: Employee Services |
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| Bulk Item: Yes No _X_ | Department: Employee Services/FKCPFWD |
| | Staff Contact Person: Calvin Allen |
| AGENDA ITEM WORDING: Presentation of the Florida Keys Council for People with Disabilities Award to Habitat for Humanity of Key West and the Lower Florida Keys, with sincere gratitude for their outstanding service to disabled persons in Monroe County. | |
| ITEM BACKGROUND: See Attached | |
| PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOCC ACTION: The BOCC and the Florida Keys Council for People with Disabilities routinely award individuals and businesses in all areas of the Keys. | |
| CONTRACT/AGREEMENT CHANGES: N/A | |
| STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS: Present Award | |
| TOTAL COST: | BUDGETED: Yes N/A No |
| COST TO COUNTY: -0- | SOURCE OF FUNDS: |
| REVENUE PRODUCING: Yes N/A No | AMOUNT PER MONTH Year |
| APPROVED BY: County Atty N/A OMB | /Purchasing N/A Risk Management N/A |
| DOCUMENTATION: Included X | Not Required |
| DISPOSITION: | AGENDA ITEM # |

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Award Citation

October 18, 2006

The Florida Keys Council for People with Disabilities is pleased to present its Award for Outstanding Service to disabled persons in Monroe County to Habitat for Humanity of Key West and the Lower Florida Keys. This award recognizes the important contributions of this volunteer organization in improving the homes by creating safe living conditions for some of our poorest residents, the disabled. In addition to creating affordable homeownership, Habitat repairs homes. In working on either new or existing homes Habitat has included adaptive design practices in order to create livable environments for all. This practice is not an exception but a standard of practice.

Through both Habitat's new construction and repair program homes have gained accessibility through the addition of wheelchair ramps and interior modifications.

This summer, volunteers turned a stack of lumber into the 54-foot ramp needed to reunite a family of three generations with their mother. For the first time in 2 years, this elderly resident was able to roll up the ramp and enter her home. Habitat has built approximately twenty smaller ramps for other disabled Keys residents. After Hurricane Wilma, Habitat actively assisted scores of our elderly and disabled in mold abatement and storm clean up. On behalf of the disabled citizens of the Florida Keys this plaque is presented with sincere gratitude for your achievements.